## February 2024 Afternoon Tea

## Answer Sheet

## Tonight

- We're here to help! This is not a competitive event. Ask the Game Control volunteers (GC) for hints as often as you'd like. The goal is to have fun, not to be frustrated!


## The Puzzles

- Each puzzle's solution is a short word or phrase. How do you find it? That's for you to discover!
- Need a code sheet or solving resources? Check out the Resources page on Puzzled Pint's webpage: http://www.puzzledpint.com/resources/
- You can use anything to help solve: Use your phone: the internet is fair game! Think your brother might have an insight? Give him a call!
- While each month has a theme, you need no special knowledge of the theme to solve the puzzles.


## About Puzzled Pint

- We're an all-volunteer 501c3 organization.
- Help us run locally: Talk with Game Controlabout how you can volunteer.
- Help us run globally: https://www.patreon.com/PuzzledPint

We are always looking for puzzle sets for future months! Check out how you can could write puzzle for Puzzled Pint by going here: http://www.puzzledpint.com/info/author/

Team Name:

## Start Time:



End Time:

| Puzzle Answers |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| Location: Gathering | TEA TIME |
| Tiered Stand |  |
| Sandwiches |  |
| Scones |  |
| Desserts |  |
| Checkpoint! Have GC verify your answers to receive the Meta and Bonus puzzles. |  |
| Mmm TEA |  |
| Bonus: The Tea Menu |  |

How did tonight go? Email feedback@puzzledpint.com or fill out the survey with the QR code above.

One distinctive visual element of afternoon tea is the tiered stand. Often there will be three tiers, with the desserts and pastries on top, scones in the middle, and tea sandwiches on the bottom.

To create a perfect display, the chef for this afternoon tea believes it's important that the food is arranged appropriately. Ensure that every pair of consecutive items is ordered correctly.

## Tiered Stand Items

BENCH BLANK CEILING CROSS EEARNNG MACHINE MAIL PARK POGO POINT PRESS

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## The Tea Menu

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EARL GREY
CINNAMON
PEPPERMINT
LADY GREY
DAEJAK
SENCHA
LAVENDER
CHAI
TURMERIC
WHITE PEONY
DARJEELING
MATCHA
CEYLON

Tea sandwiches come in a variety of shapes, and our chef finds the triangular ones extra fun because they can be used to make some very intricate arrangements. These sandwiches can be paired off to form a square with a line drawn along its diagonal. Each grid square has two options: either the diagonal is one that goes from the bottom left to the top right corner, or it is not, in which case it goes from the top left to the bottom right.

A huge tray of these sandwiches has been put together so that:

- Each square has a diagonal line.
- Each number in the grid represents how many diagonal lines meet at that corner.
- The diagonal lines never form any closed interior regions (not counting the grid lines).

A few diagonal lines are shown to get you started. What is the only kind of cheese missing from this sandwich arrangement?


Just to clarify, this:

sandwich-wise looks like this:


Scones at a British afternoon tea are always round (never triangular), and they sometimes have the spreads on top, while other times they are made into more of a sandwich. The scones at this afternoon tea are all the latter, with the spread sandwiched inside the scone. Plus, these treats each have a secret ingredient. The chef, however, was in a rush - trying to make
 the sandwiches quickly between his rugby practice and his dentist appointment. He's afraid he might have accidentally added in one ingredient he shouldn't have. What might that be?

| Spread |  | Scone |  | $?$ |  | Assembled Treat |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (Another form of) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Group of three | + | A lot | + |  | = | Marriage (9) |
| Item in an atlas | + | Coastal feature | + |  | = | Common Puzzled Pint code (9) |
| (Present tense of) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Circular in shape | + | Sorrow for others | + |  | = | Deep insight (10) |
| Cat or hamster, maybe | + | Earnings | + |  | = | Unfinished (10) |
| Type of clear liquor | + | Of sound mind | + |  | = | Optimistic in a tough time (8) |
| Comprehend written words | + | Comprehend visual information | + |  | = | Woo with song (8) |
| Creative expression | + | One of seven deadly sins | + |  | $=$ | Gifted pear tree occupant (9) |
| (Secret Ingredient) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Circle constant in math | + | Verbal remark | + |  | = | Remark of praise or admiration (10) |

There are 8 different desserts for today's afternoon tea! Our chef likes to use bold flavors in his desserts, and has a 4 by 4 spice rack to stay organized. In his carelessness, he lost his recipe book, but fortunately he has a very imaginative visual memory.

For each dessert, he remembers how many spices he uses from each row and from each column. For each spice, he also remembers how many cakes it's used in and how many cookies it's used in. He remembers that the macarons cookies (mixing bowl on the left) do not use espresso, while the Victoria sponge cake (on the bottom-left) does use garam masala. To be efficient, he uses a circular countertop with the eight mixing bowls around him so that cakes and cookies are alternating, and then he adds each spice simultaneously to all desserts using both hands! (He wonders how this must look when viewed from above!) What's one ingredient that won't be going in the desserts?

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Before eating, it's important to select your tea. Some teas will be so strong that they will overshadow other flavors. What tea did the chef recommend?

- Each of the 25 squares below is filled with a letter.
- The bolded numbers outside the grid represent the number of letters visible from that point. Letters later in the alphabet are taller than letters earlier in the alphabet.
- For example, if one line was BACDE, 4 letters are visible from the left (BCDE) and 1 from the right ( E ).
- Each row has 5 different letters. Each column has 5 different letters. These are the 5 unique letters found in each respective crossword clue answer.
- For example, ANAGRAM might appear as:

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3 \text { A|NGR|M } 2 \text {, or } 2 \text { G|R|M|N } 2 \text {, or } 2 \text { MR|G|NA } 3 \text {, or } 5 \text { AG|M|N|R } 1 \ldots
$$

## Crossword Clues

## Across

1. Desserts (8)
2. Tiered stand (7)
3. Scones (7)
4. Gathering (3 4)
5. Sandwiches (5)

## Down

1. Greek goddess of wisdom and warfare (6)
2. Movement under the force of gravity only (4 4)
3. Socializing, as at a party (8)
4. Mathematical symbol for summation (5)
5. Broad and not exclusive in taste (8)


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